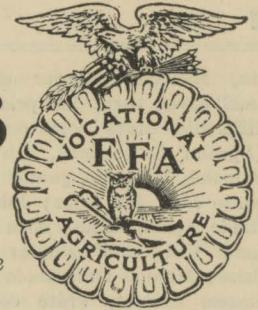


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New Rally Score Cards Conform With Those Used at Kansas City

By HENRY C. GROSECLOSE,
State Adviser.

In order that judging teams now training for the Rally may be better trained in the use of the national placing cards, "Chapter Chats" is publishing this month all placing cards to be used at the 1937 Rally. These cards are somewhat different from those used in the past. The change has been made at the suggestion of the Rally committee composed of agricultural teachers who reported to the 1936 Annual Conference of Instructors in Vocational Agriculture.

New Rally regulations will be in the hands of the agricultural instructors within a few days. These revised regulations cover particularly the important changes in the Rally regulations which were made in 1935 and 1936. May I call your attention to a few of the following:

1. The twelve high individuals in each contest will judge five additional classes on Thursday. Although the Dairy Contest calls for no scoring of milk, the twelve high individuals in the Dairy contest will score two classes of milk on the third day.

2. As far as the writer can determine from the minutes of annual conferences and annual Rallies, the classes to be judged in the various contests will remain the same as last year. A glance at your old Rally Regulations, pages 6 and 7 will give you the information you need with regard to each contest.

3. Except for the above noted change in the Dairy Judging Contest whereby poultry is substituted for milk in the first

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Ward Wins Title of Champion Corn Grower

At the recent Virginia State Seed Show, held at Marion, Virginia, and sponsored by the Virginia Crop Improvement Association, Mack Ward of Lincoln



MACK WARD WINS NATIONAL TROPHY.

exhibited ten ears of corn that won the Championship of Virginia. Mack, who is a Vocational Agriculture student at Lincoln High School, won this championship on a sample of ten ears of corn grown on a two and one-fourth acre corn project in his Vocational Agriculture Class work. In addition to winning the Championship of Virginia on this exhibit, he also won first place in the Certified Corn class and first place in the Interstate Corn class open to all corn growers in the United States and Canada. There were quite a number of exhibitors in this class from states other than Virginia. The prizes won on this ten ear exhibit of corn amount to \$32.00 in cash, a handsome silver trophy, and a

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Future Farmers Win At State Seed Show

Take Large Number of Prizes Given
At Marion Exhibition.

Future Farmers, and members of Part-time and Evening Classes carried off a large slice of prizes at the annual State Seed Show held at Marion, January 21-22, under the sponsorship of the Virginia Crop Improvement Association, Inc. A

partial list of the winners is printed below. The State office attempted to make a complete list of winners by checking with agricultural instructors, some of whom have not yet been heard from. The following list includes only those winners who have been verified by instructors as attending an organized class in vocational agriculture.

Members of F. F. A. chapters, attending all-day classes, and the prizes they won are as follows:

Mack Ward, of Hamilton, interstate corn contest, 1st prize; state corn contest, honorary class, 1st

prize, certified class, 1st prize; sweepstakes class, 1st prize; small grains contest, oats, 1st prize; barley, any variety, 2nd prize; junior classes contest, yellow corn, 1st prize, corn grown from certified seed, 1st prize.

Joe Hounshell, Rural Retreat, junior classes contest, yellow corn, 4th prize; John Laycock, Hamilton, junior classes contest, yellow corn, 2nd prize; Charles Trail, North Fork, junior classes contest, Irish potatoes, 1st prize; Howard Jessee, Hansonville, junior classes contest, white corn 3rd prize; Sam Eades, Wallace, small grains contest, wheat, any variety, 1st prize; King Cole, Wallace, junior classes contest, white corn, 2nd prize; Bill Cole, Wallace, junior classes contest, small-eared corn, 5th prize; Marlin Mar-

tin, Hillsville, junior classes contest, small-eared corn, 1st prize; Rex Webb, Hillsville, state corn contest, class 13 (Special Southwest), 4th prize; Earky Samone, Hillsville, junior classes contest, white corn, 5th prize; John Debusk, Jr., Glade Spring, State corn contest, Highland King and similar varieties, 5th prize; Mahlon Orr, Glade Spring, junior classes contest, white corn, 4th prize, small-eared corn, 4th prize; Jack Williamson, Meadow View, junior classes contest, corn grown from certified seed, 3rd prize; Tobe Clark, Glade Spring, junior classes contest, corn grown from certified seed, 5th prize; Frank Copenhagen, Glade Spring, junior classes contest, small-eared corn, 3rd prize; William Fraughnaugh, Sparta, state cowpeas contest, 2nd prize; Wilma Garnette, Sparta, state soybeans contest, small-seeded, 1st prize; James Normant, Sparta, small grains contest, rye, any variety, 2nd prize, lespedeza, 1st prize; Hugh Goulding, Sparta, small grains contest, lespedeza, 2nd prize; Reuben Garnette, Sparta, small grains contest, lespedeza, 3rd prize; George Cale, Sparta, small grains contest, rye, any variety, 1st prize; Earl Beazley, Sparta, small grains contest, rye, any variety, 3rd prize; Benson Baird, Disputanta, junior classes contest, soybeans, 1st prize; Willie Baird, Disputanta, junior classes contest, soybeans, 4th prize; A. V. Beazley, Disputanta, junior classes contest, sweet potatoes, 1st prize; Harry King, Disputanta, junior classes contest, sweet potatoes, 2nd prize; Morris Clements, Disputanta, junior classes contest, large peanuts, 1st prize; Harry Baird, Disputanta, junior classes contest, small peanuts, 4th prize; Bedrick Meka, Disputanta, junior classes contest, small peanuts, 1st prize; Frank Minor, Disputanta, junior classes contest, small peanuts, 2nd prize.

Winners who are members of vocational agriculture part-time classes, were as follows:

Hilton Rector, Chilhowie, state corn contest, class 11 (Special Southwest), 4th prize; W. M. Davison, Jr., Strasburg, interstate corn contest, 6th prize; Bill Patrick, Chatham Hill, state corn contest, large-eared white, 4th prize; Edgar Conrad, Hillsboro, small grains contest, wheat, any variety, 3rd prize; Archie Brooks, Sparta, state soybeans contest, 1st prize; J. E. Brame, Jr., Chase City, state corn contest, Golden Queen and similar varieties, 5th prize; Granville Hawkins, Chase City, state cowpeas contest, 3rd prize, junior classes contest, small-eared corn, 2nd prize.

The following prize-winners are members of evening classes in vocational agriculture: J. S. Huffard, C. H. Rector, J. G. Kelly, W. A. Altoffer, C. E. Allison, J. C. Ryburn, Charles Graves, Fred Rosenbaum, Martin Rosenbaum, Emmett Beazley, Mrs. Normant, Claude Brooks,

NEWS FROM YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

Junior Farmers Club of Lloyds.

The Junior Farmers Club, which meets in the Agricultural building at Lloyds every first Wednesday night in each month, has had an average attendance of 27. At each meeting the agricultural leaders are asked by the members to discuss two topics in which they are interested, briefly and given in a practical way, so the members can use the information. A social feature is also a part of each meeting.

The members of this club have taken as one of their projects for 1937, to get every farmer of Occupacia District into this club, with disregards to his education, in an effort to be of greater service in helping every member to become a better farmer and a better citizen. At the last meeting, March 3rd, the boys, among themselves brought their musical instruments for a social feature. As a result, 36 of these interested young farmers were present, many of whom were backward and had never attended a meeting before with their young neighbor farmers and had the time of their lives, and will be back at the next meeting.

Middlesex Classifies Members.

The Junior Farmers of Middlesex, a club of eighteen members, five of which are State Farmers, was organized October 1936, with John W. Garland, president; Orin Collier, vice-president; Amos Healy, secretary; Zed Townsend, treasurer; Lewis Richardson, sargeant-at-arms; and Robert L. Bristow, reporter. The club has classified its members as apprentice, Junior Farmer, Senior Farmer, and Citizen Farmer.

The members of the club were supper guests of the Ruritans on Tuesday evening, March 9, at Deltaville. Dr. Walter S. Newman was present and brought out the need of keeping the farm youth in school or educational club, thus retaining his interest in the farm.

Junior Farmers Club at New Hope.

In February 1934, a group of F. F. A. alumni of the New Hope high school met and organized a Junior Farmers Club under the leadership of Mr. T. J. Sheritz.

We became interested in farming while in high school because Dad gave us a chance. He was willing to share the farm with us so we could grow corn and

A. H. Taylor, O. D. McCormick, L. C. Cannoy.

In the junior judging contest, in which 108 vocational students and 4-H Club members participated, the winners, all Future Farmers, were: John Webb, Rich Valley, 1st; George Barnette, Lebanon, 2nd; Horace Larrowe, Woodlawn, 3rd.

raise a calf. Now we are partners with him.

There are nine charter members, most of whom were from the class of 1930. Now we have 14 in the club. It is not the largest club but a very active one. In 1934 we took a trip to the worlds fair in Chicago. This year we planned to go to Florida.

We have a meeting every two weeks, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. At these meetings we discuss our problems, have a short program and serve some refreshments.

W. H. EDMONSON,
Reporter.

Apple Grove Part-Time Work.

During the year 1935-36, the Part-Time Class in the Apple Grove community made a rather good showing. Eleven boys participated and all eleven completed their work. The average total income per month was \$118.76—the total income being \$1,218.40.

These boys do not meet in regular groups as was the original plan. Instead they are for the most part cared for individually. This is due to the wide area covered by the boys and the problem of finding a suitable time at which they could all get together.

As often as possible there are four get togethers for a demonstration on some particular problem that is confronting those members at the time. Examples of these meetings are: culling poultry, pruning fruit trees, treating chickens, and testing soil.

This year the part-time group has doubled in members and it is the hope of the group that during this year we will be able to get together more often and finally that in some way things may be worked out so that we will be able to have a regular meeting place as well as a definite time.

The projects of this year are much better than those of last year and in every way the future looks brighter for part-time work in the Apple Grove Community.

E. W. PENNINGTON,
Reporter.

Stephens City F. F. A. Alumni News.

The Stephen City Part Time boys have held their meetings jointly with the Farm discussion Groups for the past two months. Those meetings have been very interesting and well attended by both groups.

Robert Strickley, member of the Stephens City Part-Time Class, has just completed the Dairy Short course at V. P. I. Bob operates a large farm and manages a dairy herd of 25 cows. He has a mod-

ern dairy barn with all modern equipment, including electric milker. Bob is keeping milk and feed records on his entire herd this year. He does his milk testing in the High School Laboratory.

Weyers Cave Elects Officers.

The Weyers Cave Junior farmers have reorganized and revised the membership list. It is the ambition of the club for the coming year to have 100 per cent active members. The purposes and objectives have been revised to include only young men actually farming and interested in a group educational program. Our newly elected officers are: Jay Glover, president; Winston Wilberger, vice-president; Lurty Croun, secretary-treasurer.

The Junior farmers at the last meeting reviewed the large collection of new Experimental and Extension bulletins collected from all the Agricultural Colleges in the U. S. and Canada.

They met March 5th together with a group of Agricultural leaders to hear Dr. T. K. Wolfe and others discuss the necessary requirements for manufacturing quality fertilizers at economical costs.

JAY GLOVER,
President.

Chase City Adds Seven New Members.

The Young Farmers' Club held its regular meeting in the Agricultural building of Chase City High School, Friday night, Feb. 19th. After the business was transacted, Supt. C. B. Green gave a very interesting and instructive talk to the members. He stressed the advantages the young farmers have had now with the National Government doing all possible to help solve farm problems, as well as many means to improve themselves. The necessity of preparation for the profession of farming, and the necessity to study the problems of County, State and National Government were also stressed. He promised to be present at the meeting on March 19th, and give some interesting information on the cost of the County government.

Seven new members were added to the roll, making the membership 42. Robert Boyd and Sidney Strickland were present representing the F. F. A. Chapter.

An oyster supper was then served by Mrs. W. S. Jones and Miss Grace Rockwell. Everyone enjoyed the well prepared supper. The Club feels very much indebted to these ladies for their service.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday night, March 4th. Subject for this meeting: The 1937 Soil Conservation Program, with special stress on lespezia.

JOHN KIZER,
President.

Mt. Jackson Club Sets Objectives.

About five years ago there was organized in our school a group of former agri-

cultural students and other young fellows who were interested in agriculture. This group named themselves the "Junior Farmers Club" and have held regular meetings since that time except during a few summer months when meetings were impractical.

We have well planned meetings with outside speakers if possible, to talk on subjects of interest to us. This year we have sponsored a group of discussions open to all farmers in our community. These discussions were about the soil conservation programs and other governmental steps, and their effect on the farmers in our community.

We also have conducted a tour of surrounding points of interest each year, such as the U. S. Experimental farm at Beltsville, the Nation's Capital and large packing and fertilizer plants in Baltimore.

We also support all County Cooperative fairs and exhibits in connection with the F. F. A. and 4H Club organizations in our county. We have sent delegates to the National Youth Convention of The American Country Life Association, the past two years, these conventions being held at Columbus, Ohio, and Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Following are the objectives as outlined for our year's work:

Recreation:

1. Cooperate with F. F. A. Chapter in staging a father and son Banquet.
2. Take a farm tour or attend some State Agriculture meeting during the year.
3. Organize a soft ball team.

Cooperative, Community activities:

1. Send exhibits to State Corn and Grain Show.
2. Send a delegate to American Country Life Convention.
3. Put on a program at P. T. A. meeting.
4. Increase enrollment up to 24 and more if possible.
5. Each member to carry out some improving practice and keep a complete set of records on some farm enterprise and give the records to the secretary at the end of the year.
6. Work out an initiation ritual to be used in initiating new members.
7. Work out some standard form for opening and closing meetings.
8. Cooperate with other state Junior Farmers Clubs in organizing a State Farmers Association if deemed advisable.

FRED FADELY,
Reporter.

North Fork Part-Time Class.

The Valley Farm Boys of Roanoke Valley, Blacksburg, Virginia, send greetings to all other clubs in Virginia.

We organized our club December 8, 1936 under the supervision of Mr. D. Lawrence Glick. The name was chosen,

and the following officers were elected: Leader, Creed Absher; Asst. Leader, William Grubb; Sec-Treasurer, Lloyd McPherson.

Beginning with a membership of 18 we have increased to 24. Each member is going to provide feed patches and cover for quail and stop gullies, besides carrying another home enterprise. At present we have begun the following: feed patches and cover, 3½ acres, sow and litter 1; sheep, 45; corn for grain, 4 acres; alfalfa for hay, 11 acres.

Last month we, with the F. F. A. boys from Blacksburg High, gave a program at the school house. This program was well attended and increased our treasury over \$4.00.

Our meetings are held every Tuesday night at the North Fork School. To any of these meetings you will be welcome.

Part-time classes have also been started at Ellett and Belmont. The enrollment at these places is 18 and 24 respectively and include boys from 14 to 24 years of age. The program of work for both classes is about the same as for the North Fork class.

LLOYD McPHERSON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Powhatan Forms Junior Farmers Club.

F. F. A.'s please allow us a small amount of space to tell you what we are doing. For the past six months, sixteen of us have been attending a part-time class on Monday evenings. We took up problems on farm management from the time school started until Christmas. These were studied by surveys of our own farms and discussion in class.

Just before Christmas, we had a banquet for those who had been regular attendants in class. Mr. Cale was the guest speaker. It was a most enjoyable social event.

We have spent some time on shop jobs. This consisted of repairing farm machinery and other necessary repair work on the farms. Some of us are using the shop and equipment in our spare time in addition to the time spent in class. We have held our own discussion groups on soil conservation. In some of the discussions we met with the adults.

We recently organized ourselves into a permanent Club. It is called the "Junior Farmers Club." The officers are as follows: Marc Bradley, President; Guy Hubbard, Vice-President; Roy Braudrick, Secretary-Treasurer; James Weisiger, Reporter. All but one member of our club are former members of F. F. A.

Six of our group are entirely responsible for the operation of farms. All the others are farming on a partnership basis. We get a lot of good out of meeting with the group and discussing our farm problems.

JAMES WEISIGER,
Reporter.

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Robert Russell, Wicomico Church.
Claude Swanson, Callands.
Wayne Larrowe, Woodlawn.

IN MEMORIAM.

Whereas it has pleased the Divine Creator of the Universe to remove from among us by the hand of death our beloved friend and schoolmate, Elmer Brooks, who was a loyal, faithful and useful member of our F. F. A. Chapter; Whereas, he having represented our chapter at the leadership school at Blacksburg last June as well as an active member for the past two years, we deeply feel his loss and extend to his parents, his brothers and sisters, as well as all his relatives and friends, our heartfelt sympathies. Whereas, he having made a satisfactory presentation of all topics assigned to him; Whereas, his kind disposition, his frank open life, his spirit of fair play, and his faith in his fellow students, endeared him to our heart and mind for such an ideal character cannot be forgotten.

Therefore, be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the parents of the deceased, a copy published in the county paper, a copy published in the official state publication, and a copy be filed with the records of the Ewing Chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

GAYLARD LAMBDIN,
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LEROY HENSLEY,
EUGENE BALES,
Committee.

F. F. A. ACTIVITIES IN OTHER STATES.

(Especially Prepared by V. P. I. Collegiate Chapter.)

Pennsylvania—Over 4,000 members attended the 1937 Farm Show of the Keystone state. One of the outstanding fea-

tures of this show was the F. F. A. Band made up of 100 pieces, representing 52 schools and 28 counties.

New Jersey—F. F. A. members had a prominent part in the activities of Agriculture Week, the winter farm show of the Garden State held at Trenton the latter part of January. The boys had the largest class of eggs in the egg show; were awarded 15 medals and \$55 in cash in the State Corn Project Contest and held a one-day apple packing contest on a raised platform in the exhibit building—viewed and commented upon favorably by hundreds of farmers.

North Dakota—Heavy losses during the winter among upland game birds is common, due to heavy snows. As a result the F. F. A. members decided to co-operate by building feeding hoppers. The Conservation Service is furnishing materials and completed hoppers are distributed to sheltered spots where birds can get to them.

Arizona—Fifteen chapters of the Salt River Valley held a field meet at the Mission Dairy Ranch, February 6th. Stock judging, rodeo events and racing were included.

Delaware—Woodrow Haas, of the Saddle and Grate Chapter, graduated from high school in 1936 and is in partnership with his father and three brothers in the broiler business. They sell 200 tons of chicken per year—mostly in New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore. They employ 10 or 15 extra men on full time and many new practices are included as the business develops. During the season of nine months, they started 108,000 chicks.

Ohio—230 chapters with a membership of 5,861—Libraries have been established by 101 chapters.

Oregon—Held its first state alumni F. F. A. meeting one year ago this February. It was attended by more than 50 alumni F. F. A. who had been local, state and national leaders in the F. F. A. In cooperation with the State Forestry Department, 23,739 trees were planted by Future Farmers on 328 farms as windbreakers, borders, shade trees, covers for birds and many other useful farm purposes.

Puerto Rico—The Puerto Rico F. F. A. chapter will hold its Fifth Annual F. F. A. Convention in San Juan, at the Municipal Theatre, during the fifth and sixth of March. The following events will be conducted at the Convention; judging contest; public speaking contest; an Insular Farmer Contest; a business session; a stunt contest; a sight-seeing tour; an agricultural exhibit in which all the products will be directly brought from the school farms and boys' home projects; and a radio program.

Hawaii—The Hawaiian Association of F. F. A. was organized in 1929. Hawaii was represented by Masoyuki Nii, Territorial F. F. A. President, at Kan-

sas City last fall. He reported a very, very enjoyable and worthwhile trip. A number of contests are being conducted in Hawaii. Some of them are as follows: Egg-laying contest; sixteen-pen contest, hoeing contest.

F. A. DOBBINS,
Reporter.

BASKETBALL TITLE IS WON BY MCGAHEYSVILLE.

The McGaheysville Chapter of Rockingham County, provided the basketball team which won the F. F. A. championship of Northern Virginia. The final tournament was played at Shenandoah College, Dayton, Virginia, on Saturday, February 27th.

Thirty-four teams participated in the District tournament, the following Chapters being represented: Blue Ridge, Boyce, Berryville, Troutville, Beverly Manor, Middlebrook, Calverton, Warrenton, Criglersville, Edinburg, Woodstock, Fincastle, Falmouth, Fishersville, New Hope, Fairfax, Meriwether Lewis, Lincoln, Lovettsville, Nokesville, Marshall Millboro, Mt. Clinton, Linville-Edom Mt. Jackson, North River, Churchville, Port Republic, McGaheysville, Tom's Brook, Stuarts Draft, Spotswood, Weyers Cave, Handley.

The preliminary and semi-final tournaments were conducted by the Federations of the District. The four teams participating in the final tournament were: Woodstock, Meriwether Lewis, McGaheysville and Falmouth. The first game was played between Woodstock and Meriwether Lewis and was won by Meriwether Lewis by a score of 2 to 23. In the second game, McGaheysville defeated Falmouth 35 to 15. The final game between Meriwether Lewis and McGaheysville resulted in a win for McGaheysville by a score of 35 to 17, with this victory went the championship of the Northern Virginia District.

The play throughout the tournament was marked by excellent sportsmanship. As one of the recreational phases of the F. F. A. work it is felt that the tournament was an outstanding success.

The McGaheysville team members were presented with small silver basketballs by the B. A. R. Federation and the team will receive a handsome silver trophy to be purchased from funds raised by charging an entrance fee of 60c for all teams entering the tournament.

VIA PRESIDENT AT V. P. I.

James Via, of Ashland, president of Virginia Association, Future Farmers of America, was recently elected president of the freshman class of V. P. I. He has previously been very active in F. F. A. work, being president of the local chapter at Ashland and later president of the Richmond Federation.

LINCOLN AND LOVETTSVILLE HOLD SEED AND EGG SHOW.

The Lincoln and Lovettsville Chapters sponsored their third annual Seed and Egg Show at the Lincoln High School, Friday, January 15th. Our Show this year was expanded to take in the other 12 Vocational Agriculture Schools of the Piedmont Federation. Ten of these schools participated both in making exhibits as well as participating in the F. F. A. Judging Contest. The Home Economics Departments of Lincoln and Lovettsville also participated in our Show this year for the first time by having a special department for work of the Home Economics Girls of these two schools. There were 209 entries in the Show this year as compared with 120 last year.

Our Agriculture Show was divided into two divisions with the following classes

F. F. A. Classes (limited to projects):
White corn—Yellow corn; Wheat—Bar-

ley; Irish potatoes; White eggs; Brown eggs; F. F. A. Judging contest.

In the Federation Judging Contest, entered into by the twelve following schools: Herndon, Fairfax, Nokesville, Manassas, Warrenton, Calverton, Upperville, Marshall, Bealton, Remington, Lovettsville and Lincoln, the Lincoln team won first place. Morris Costello, a freshman at Lincoln won first individual honors.

Following the F. F. A. Judging Contest, a Federation meeting was held and plans made for reaching some of our future objectives. During the afternoon, the High School Classes were dismissed and the Lincoln and Lovettsville Departments gave a public program which was well attended and enjoyed.

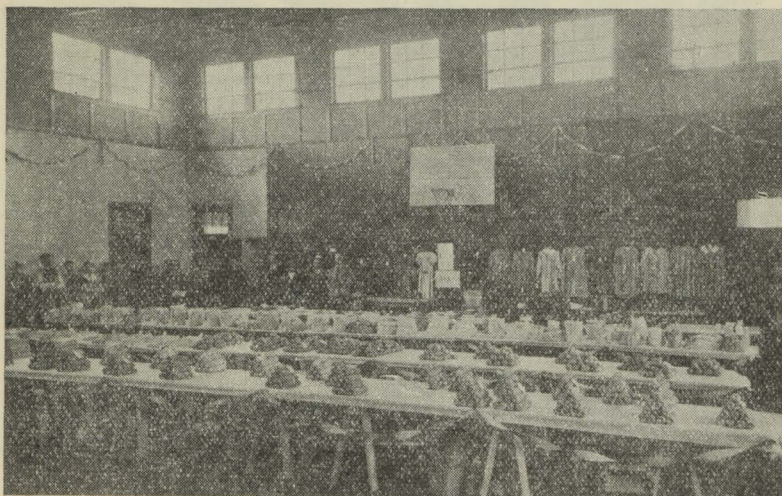
The Lincoln Home Economics girls served lunch to the visitors and students at a small charge.

MACK WARD,

Lincoln Reporter.

CHARLES WASHINGTON,

Lovettsville Reporter.



LINCOLN AND LOVETTSVILLE SEED AND EGG SHOW.

Open Classes (open to anyone): White corn—Yellow corn; Wheat—Barley; Oats—Rye; Potatoes—Clover seed; White eggs—Orchard grass seeds; Brown eggs—corn shelling contest; Adult judging contest.

The quality of the exhibits in the show as a whole was pronounced by Mr. D. J. Howard, who helped to judge them, the best he had ever seen anywhere in a show of this type. This fact was further borne out by the results these same exhibits made at the State Seed Show at Marion the following week. The entries from the Lincoln Show won the Banner offered to the county in the state winning the most points in the State Seed Show. Our exhibitors also won first, second and fifth in the Interstate Class of corn as well as the Corn Championship of Virginia, which was won by Mack Ward on 10 ears of his Project Corn.

Each F. F. A. Federation in the District will be represented in the three contests. Last year, George Stevens of the Northern Neck federation, represented the Eastern District at the State Rally, and won the State contest. The Carrsville chapter of the Tri-County Federation represented Eastern Virginia, and won the State contest. King William, a member of the New Tidewater Federation, won the district track meet at

EASTERN AND MIDDLE DISTRICTS TO HOLD RALLY IN MAY.

Saturday, May 22nd, has been selected as the date for the Eastern Virginia rally. The meeting will be held at William and Mary College, Williamsburg. The following schedule has been arranged:

10:00—F. F. A. Public Speaking Contest, Phi Beta Kappa hall.

11:15—Degree Team Contest, Phi Beta Kappa Hall.

2:00—Track meet, stadium.

Williamsburg, and the State meet at Blacksburg. The Northern Neck Federation will hold its track and public speaking elimination contests on Saturday, May 8, at Warsaw. They will not have a degree team.

The date for the Middle Virginia District Public Speaking and Degree Team Contests and Track Meet has been tentatively set for May 1st at a place to be designated later. The names of the winners in public speaking and degree team contests and track meet in each federation in the district must be in the office of the district supervisor by April 22nd.

County and Federation eliminations shall be conducted under the rules set up by the separate Federations.

One public speaker and one degree team from each federation is eligible to compete in the district contest. The degree team must be selected from one Chapter. Each federation will be allowed to enter three boys in each of the events and one relay team at the district track meet. The relay team must be selected from one chapter.

Federation secretaries should send in the names of the winners of the first four places in each track event. Rules governing eligibility in the judging and athletic contests shall apply to the public speaking and degree team contests.

WARD WINS TITLE.

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large banner offered by the Virginia Crop Improvement Association to the individual winning the most points from the county in Virginia scoring highest in the State Seed Show.

In addition to the above honors, Mack also exhibited two other ten ear samples of corn from this same project in the Junior classes of the State Seed Show and won first in the Junior Certified Class and Junior Open Class, making his total cash prizes from his two and one-fourth acres, \$47.00.

This corn was grown by Mack as one of his Vocational Agriculture projects in his first year in high school at the age of fourteen years. He grew it on a piece of dark loam soil and fertilized it by using 123 pounds of 3-10-5 fertilizer applied with the planter in the row at planting time. Certified Reeds Yellow Dent Corn of show quality was used as seed. It was planted in hills and cultivated both ways to keep down weeds. The yield from this two and one-fourth acres amounted to thirty-nine barrels (195 bu. of shelled corn) which was of excellent quality and well matured as indicated by the fact that Mack was able to select over fifty bushels of certified seed from this area.

The gross income from this two and one-fourth acre corn project will amount to approximately \$300.00 as shown by the following items:

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NEWS FROM FEDERATIONS

Tri-County Federation.

At the Federation meeting held at Holland on February 19th, plans were made for the contests to be held this spring. The following dates and places were selected:

April 16, Courtland—Federation public speaking contests; May 7, Chuckatuck—Degree team contest; May 8, Franklin—Federation F. F. A. track meet.

The Federation also decided to publish a federation newspaper, to be sponsored by the Smithfield Chapter, and to be gotten out by March 15th. A radio program will be broadcast over WTAR about April 1st. The Wakefield Chapter, a member of this Federation, sponsored a very successful Seed Show last November.

G. M. C. Holds Father and Son Banquet At Pembroke.

The Giles-Montgomery-Craig Federation held its annual banquet at Pembroke on Friday, January 29, 1937.

There were about a hundred members attending. The meal was prepared by the Community League and served by the Home Economics Class. William Kirk of Newport acted as toastmaster.

Due to the resignation of Fred Johnston of Blacksburg, the President of the federation, a new President was elected. William Kirk, Vice-President, was elected President. E. J. Draper of Pembroke was elected Vice-President.

Following this, each chapter put on a short program. Newport got first place with a short play.

WALTER McMAHAN,
Reporter.

B. A. R. Federation Meets.

The B. A. R. federation held its regular meeting at the Mt. Sydney High School building February 26th.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Ralph Hamilton and opened with the opening ceremony. The meeting was then opened for business. As there was no old business, the new business was brought up. The possibility of sending a representative to the Kansas City Convention was discussed but no action was to be taken until the May meeting.

The federation has been sponsoring a basketball team and the McGaheysville Chapter won first place.

Earl Shiftlet, Vice-President of the state organization, was present at the meeting and gave an interesting talk.

The New Hope, Churchville and Fisherville Chapters gave a good program and refreshments were served by Mt. Sydney.

DAVID BOWMAN,
Reporter.

Fathers, Officials of Schools, and Rotary Club Meet with F. F. A's.

The Southeast Federation banquet of the Future Farmers of America was held at South Hill, Virginia, on February 5, 1937. Five agricultural high schools, located in five counties, were represented. About 300 persons attended, including the fathers of the boys chosen to represent their chapters, school principals, agricultural instructors, school superintendents of several counties, and other guests. The Rotary Club of South Hill met jointly with the group.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Ralph Martin. After the opening ceremony, Rev. R. W. Grant of



F. F. A. BANQUET AT SOUTH HILL.

the South Hill Baptist Church gave the invocation. Mr. Chas. H. Morgan acted as toastmaster. Address of welcome was made by L. L. Bean, Mayor of the town. Short addresses were made by T. H. Williams, Jr., C. B. Green, Superintendent of Mecklenburg County Schools and R. W. Bobbitt of Charlotte County Schools.

The outstanding feature of the program was the address of Dr. W. S. Newman, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

A report was made of the project work by Gordon Billings and B. M. Owens spoke on the topic: "How Agriculture Has Assisted Me in Farming."

Music was furnished throughout the evening by the South Hill Orchestra, the LaCrosse Trio and Crutchfield's String Band. Miss Emma Monks of Lawrenceville did two specialty tap dance numbers.

At the conclusion of the banquet, the closing ceremony of the federation was

used. The Parent-Teacher Association of South Hill, assisted by the girls of the home economics class of the local school and the LaCrosse High School, prepared and served the banquet.

SOIL FERTILITY CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED.

The Barrett Company, of Hopewell, distributor of American Nitrate of Soda, and sponsors of the 1936 soil fertility contest have recently announced the following individual members and chapters as winners:

Eastern Virginia District.

Winning Chapter: Midway.

Individual Winners:

1. Miles Sturt, McKenney\$15.00
2. Clyde Echols, Darvills 12.50
3. Wyatt Barlow, Smithfield ... 10.00

4. Milton Futrell, Newsoms ... 7.50
5. Edward Johnson, Newsoms . 5.00

Northern Virginia District.

Winning Chapter: None.

Individual Winners:

1. Earl Wilkins, Edinburg\$15.00
2. Chas. T. Haynie, Warren Co. 12.50
3. J. W. Baker, Strasburg 10.00
4. Wayno Vann, Strasburg 7.50
5. Chas. J. Hockman, Strasburg 5.00

Middle Virginia District.

Winning Chapter: None.

Individual Winners:

1. R. Wilkerson, Scottsburg ...\$15.00
2. Bruce Dodson, Dan River ... 12.50
- No 3rd, 4th, 5th, prizes awarded

Southwest Virginia District.

Winning Chapter: None.

Individual Winners:

1. Paul Cassell, Rural Retreat . \$15.00
2. J. Hornshell, Rural Retreat . 12.50
3. Paul Smith, Lebanon 10.00
4. Howard Jesse, Lebanon 7.50
5. Wm. Snavelly, Rural Retreat . 5.00

: : NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS : :

Dendron F. F. A. Chapter to Hold Father and Son Banquet.

A meeting of the Dendron F. F. A. Chapter was called to order by the chapter president, Mutt Slade. The roll call showed thirteen members present. After the opening ceremony, the chapter decided to have a Father and Son banquet. The chapter also decided to hold a joint meeting with the Surry F. F. A. Chapter.

Robert Emory was in charge of the program committee which was as follows: Scripture, by John Huber; Report on District Seed Show, by Lelon Goodrich; "How agriculture will help me after I finish high school," by Clarence Clarke; Vocal quartet, by Bun Hines, Crawley Hines, Slick Hargrave, and Mutt Slade.

The meeting was closed with the regular ceremony.

DAROLD HART,
Reporter.

Draper Valley F. F. A. Chapter Aids Flood Victims.

A party was given at Draper High School in February, for the purpose of helping flood victims. It was sponsored by the Draper Valley F. F. A. Chapter. With the entire community cooperating, the party was a financial success.

The Draper Valley F. F. A. band made its fourth appearance and played throughout the program.

Various forms of entertainment were provided during the evening. The net proceeds were \$51.20.

GRANT DUNCAN,
Reporter.

Willis F. F. A. Chapter Raises Funds.

The Willis Chapter of Future Farmers made good with their play which netted them sixty dollars. We have purchased a banner for our chapter and some tools for our shop. A bank account is left which we expect to use in purchasing reference material and probably more shop equipment.

Recently the shop class constructed one hundred and fifty feet of plank fence, thus enlarging the school grounds, also a bridge and fill at the entrance of our school grounds.

Two to four short meetings are being held each month to put forward our various activities. For example, when the call came for relief funds in the flood area, our members met and promptly responded one hundred per cent.

The membership has increased by over sixteen members this year. Our motto is, "Every Member a Worker."

J. B. DICKERSON,
Reporter.

Fathers Guests of North River Chapter

The boys of the North River F. F. A. Chapter were hosts to their dads and guests at their annual Father and Son Banquet, held at North River High School on February 10, 1937. Covers were laid for 122. The girls of the Home Economics Department served the meal, which consisted of three courses.

The meeting was opened with the regular ceremony, after which the Rev. C. I. Lewis pronounced the invocation. The meetings was then turned over to the toastmaster, Mr. Wilbur S. Pence, principal of North River High School.

Professor M. M. Edgar, president of Dunsmore Business College, was the main speaker of the evening. In his talk he stressed "Cooperation." His talk was greatly enjoyed by all.

Mr. P. H. France, our instructor, in giving a brief summary of last year's work, called special attention to the outstanding record our chapter made judging poultry at our State Rally last year, and the fact that David Alexander won the nation's honor of placing first in poultry judging at the National Convention held at Kansas City, Missouri.

ODIE SMITH,
Reporter.

Cleveland-Wallace Boys Enter State Seed Show.

The F. F. A. boys from the two chapters entered eight exhibits in the State Show, six of corn, one of barley, and one of wheat, and were awarded three prizes.

Sam Eads of Cleveland got first prize in the state class on his exhibit of wheat, there being 47 entries. King Cole of Wallace Chapter won second prize on White corn grown from certified seed, shown in the junior class, and Bill Cole of Wallace Chapter got fifth prize on an exhibit of hickory king corn shown in the small eared class for the State.

Several of the boys from each of the chapters attended the show. Each expressed that he had enjoyed the show and had learned a great deal both from the various talks and from the exhibits.

BILL COLE,
LEWIS BROWN,
Reporters.

Carrsville Chapter F. F. A. News.

The Carrsville Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held its regular monthly meeting, January 19, in the Agriculture building of the Carrsville High School. The meeting was formally opened and the chapter objectives were read by the president for the benefit of the members and note made of those which had been reached to date. New

and concerted effort will be made to reach all objectives before the year ends.

Several suggestions were made for raising money, for the use of the chapter. Among some that were adopted were as follows: a pie sale, a candy sale and side shows at school plays and entertainments.

R. H. RAWLES,
Reporter.

Stephens City-Middletown Hold Father and Son Banquet.

The Middletown, Stephens City chapters held their annual Father and Son Banquet in the auditorium of the Middletown High School, Friday, February 5, at 7:30 o'clock. There were over 165 fathers, sons and invited guests present.

W. R. Legge, instructor of vocational agriculture at Handley High School, was the speaker of the evening.

High-lights in the evening's entertainment included tap dancing by four Stephens City girl dressed in the F. F. A. colors, song, "Hail the F. F. A.," by the entire group of F. F. A.'s; two songs by the Stephens City F. F. A. quartet, Harry Sherman, Lester Singhass, Charles Cook and Buddy Lemley; a skit, "Little Red Riding Hood," in the manner of Shakespeare, 1937 A. D. fashion. This was played by ten Stephens City F. F. A. boys.

George Wright and Ashby Brumback received their American Farmer Certificates, and Harry Cook received a certificate for being a member of the out of state judging team. A souvenir of the Shenandoah Valley was presented to Joe Black from the Middletown-Stephens City Chapters by R. A. Wall, our Agriculture instructor.

HARRY SHERMAN,
Reporter.

Herndon F. F. A. Holds Future Farmers Initiation.

Wednesday, January 13, the Herndon Chapter raised ten of its members to the degree of Future Farmers. This is the second degree given by the local chapter of Future Farmers of America. The requirements for this degree are as follows:

Completion of at least one year of systematic instruction in vocational agriculture and membership in the F. F. A. with a satisfactory program of supervised farming. Earn and deposit in a bank or otherwise productively invest at least \$25. Be regularly enrolled in Vocational Agriculture with an amplified supervised farming program. Be familiar with the provisions of the local and State Constitutions of Future Farmers of America. Be able to lead a group discussion for ten minutes. Receive a majority vote of the members present at a regular local chapter meeting of Future Farmers of America.

WILMER HUTCHINSON,
Reporter.

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Debate Held by Shorthorn Chapter.

The Shorthorn Chapter of Future Farmers held its February meeting, February 9, at 10 A. M. The meeting was opened with Ralph Hubble presiding.

The program began with jokes by Charles Asbury. Next in order was the "hottest" debate of the year. "Resolved: That soil erosion is the worst enemy of the American Farmer of today." The affirmative side of this question was taken by Jim C. Buchanan and John Webb, the negative by Charles Clear and Hank Gass. The affirmative won the decision of the judges. The market report of live-stock was then given by Ben Clark.

The report of the Father and Son Banquet committee, made by Joe Phipps, chairman, was adopted as read.

Marshall Agricultural Class News.

The boys of the Marshall F. F. A. Chapter have been very busy painting the

Home Economics Department. We have finished the work and many compliments have been given considering the job.

The Marshall-Upperville Chapter held its fourth monthly meeting on January 7, at 7 P. M. in the Marshall High School Auditorium. After a very successful meeting, we had two Battle Royals as an entertainment. We then had refreshments and every one had a very enjoyable evening.

The Marshall-Upperville Agricultural boys went to the Lincoln High School Auditorium on Friday, January 15. They judged corn, wheat, eggs, and potatoes. There were fourteen schools competing and Marshall won sixth place. After the judging was over, there was a meeting of the Piedmont Federation.

TOMMY TURNER,
Reporter.

Stafford-Falmouth Boxing Exhibition.

The boys of the Stafford Chapter held a boxing exhibition with Falmouth on February 5, 1937. The boxers for Stafford were: Thomas Gray, Fred Blackburn, Dick Dent, Guy Bolt, Billy Barlow, and Charles Barlow. Soft drinks, peanuts and cracker jacks were sold.

Five school shelters have been made for the purpose of keeping children out of the rain and snow.

The Fathers and Sons Banquet for Stafford and Falmouth will be held in March.

WADE LANCASTER,
Reporter.

Poquoson F. F. A. Chapter.

The Poquoson Chapter entertained the Home Economics class January 15. Various games were played and refreshments were served by the Home Economics girls. There were about fifty present.

The chapter has also organized a baseball team and would like to have games with the nearby chapters.

The class expects to organize a baseball team.

TOMMY INSLEY,
Reporter.

McGaheysville F. F. A. Chapter News.

About 100 persons attended the Father, Son, Mother, Daughter banquet which was held at the McGaheysville High School on February 22nd. As Vocational courses were only recently introduced, this was the first occasion staged by the combined efforts of the F. F. A. and F. H. M. (Future Home Makers).

After the opening ceremony by the officers of the local chapter, the banquet meal was served by the bodies of the Methodist Church. Following the meal an interesting and varied program was given by the two organizations. Music

was furnished by A. L. Kline, Everett Kline and Hubert Monger.

Several short talks were given by the following persons: Professor G. W. Chappellear and Miss Julia Robertson of State Teachers College, Harrisonburg; Mr. Clyde Koontz, local supervisor; P. G. Kline, Principal of the school, and members of the local school board.

The McGaheysville F. F. A. basketball team was successful in winning the B. A. R. Federation and is therefore eligible to compete in the Northern Virginia Tournament for the District Championship.

JOHN BODER,
Reporter.

Woodlawn F. F. A. Chapter.

The Woodlawn F. F. A. Chapter recently held a corn show at Woodlawn that was very successful. The agriculture boys who had pure bred corn brought at least one exhibit each. The boys that had the best exhibits of pure bred corn were Ray Delp, Bernie Jennings, Cromer Grimes, Rupert Cox, and Eugene Moore. Their exhibits were sent to the State Grain Show at Marion, Virginia.

Mr. W. L. Creasy, the Instructor of Agriculture, picked six judges from the chapter to enter the judging contest at Marion. These boys were Horace Larrowe, Ray Delp, Bernie Jennings, Cromer Grimes, Rupert Cox, and Eugene Moore. The Woodlawn Chapter is fortunate to have one boy to bring back a medal. Horace Larrowe, the president of the Woodlawn F. F. A. Chapter, won third prize. Horace's score on the four exhibits was 350.

CARNIE BURCHAM,
Reporter.

Disputanta F. F. A.'s to Publish Paper.

The Disputanta Chapter of F. F. A.'s held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 10, 1937. The regular officers took their station as usual. Much business was transacted and we decided to sell extract and seed and sponsor an amateur program to help finance the Father and Son Banquet and the trip to the rally in June. The chapter aided in the flood-stricken area by making a direct contribution to the local chapter of the Red Cross.

It was decided to publish a local F. F. A. paper, in which the patrons and pupils will be able to express their ideas of the work being done by the departments. This paper to be put out by the boys in cooperation with the commercial department of our school.

Our chapter feels fortunate that under supervision of our instructor, we won 33 prizes out of 37 exhibits at the Federation Seed Show. We also sent exhibits to the State Grain Seed Show and in every exhibit won a prize.

EDDIE MINOR, JR.,
Reporter.

Middlebrook Chapter News.

The Middlebrook F. F. A. Chapter met in the class room for its monthly meeting March 2, 1937. It was decided to put on a radio program, at Harrisonburg, Friday, March 5, 1937. One of the Middlebrook F. F. A. objectives for the year was to sponsor a basketball team. The team was successful in winning out in Augusta and Bath counties, but lost the B. A. R. championship to McGaheysville team. On February 12, the F. F. A. gave the F. H. A. a social where many games were played and later refreshments were served.

ALLEN AREHART,
Reporter.

Chase City Seed and Poultry Show.

The Legume Chapter of Chase City High School in cooperation with the Young Farmers Club held a Seed and Poultry show January 15. Although it was a rainy day, the show was very successful. Forty-three exhibits were entered. The prizes won were equally distributed between the two organizations. About 150 visitors saw the exhibits. Some of the students and young farmers found sale for their products. Seven of the exhibits were sent to the State Grain Show held at Marion. Prizes won were: Second, third, fifth.

We are beginning to prepare for our Patrons Day, School Fair which will be held in May.

HARPER SHELTON,
Reporter.

Whitmell Band to Broadcast.

The Whitmell Chapter held its monthly meeting on February 11. The meeting was called to order by the president, and the question whether to buy or rent the state camp was discussed. The green hands were given the first degree, and awarded their pins. The Club has organized a string band consisting of Billy Coleman, Rawley Coleman, Tommy Payne and Robert Adkenson. They may be heard over WBTM, Danville, April 10, from twelve-thirty until one o'clock.

SHIRLEY H. HERNDON,
Reporter.

LaCrosse-South Hill Have Banquet.

The agriculture chapters of the LaCrosse and South Hill High Schools were hosts to their dads at a joint banquet of the two chapters. The banquet of the two chapters. The banquet was held in the gymnasium of the South Hill High School, Thursday, February 25th. Covers were laid for one hundred and sixty and the girls of the two high schools served a meal of three courses.

Ben Smith, President of the South Hill chapter, presided, and Ralph Martin of LaCrosse served as toastmaster.

The welcome was given by Ben Smith

and was responded to by Professor W. A. Early.

The meeting opened with the impressive ceremony of the Future Farmers of America. The addresses were made by Professor Charles H. Morgan and Superintendent C. B. Green. Short talks were made by Chester Gillispie on "Recreation of the F. F. A. Boys," Linwood Brown on "The Future of the F. F. A.," and Willie Copley spoke on "Project Work."

BILL DANIEL,
Reporter.

Varina Work Program Progresses.

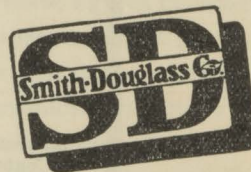
The twenty-two members of the Varina Chapter of Future Farmers of A-

merica are advancing quite satisfactorily into their year's work, which was planned by the program of work committee at the beginning of the year. Considerable time has been spent in refinishing, repairing, and constructing class room and shop facilities. Substantial additions have been made to shop equipment, and library of the department.

The officers for the current year are: Frank Enroughty, president; William Gabsky, Vice-President; George Shaw, Treasurer; William Garrett, Secretary; Jimmy Stoneman, Reporter; Melvin Dowdy, Watch-dog.

JIMMY STONEMAN,
Reporter.

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two days judging, the classes to be judged remain the same.

As said above, these score cards conform to those used in the national meeting. Please study them carefully and use them as guides in practice judging.

Class

Placing Card for Sheep

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School				
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade
General Appearance: size, form, symmetry, breed, & sex characteristics					
Forequarters: head, neck, shoulders, ribs, chest, forelegs					
Hindquarters: back, loin, rump, dock, twist, thighs, hind legs					
Quality and Condition: Refinement of features, bone and hair, color and pliability of skin, firmness and evenness of flesh					
Fleece: density, length, color, crimp, foreign material					
Final Placing Order					

Contestant's Final Grade

Class

Placing Card for Draft Horses

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School				
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade
General Appearance: size, form, balance in movement, quality, temperament, head, and neck					
Body: shoulders, withers, chest, arms, ribs, back, coupling, croup, quarters					
Fore Legs and Feet: fore arms, knees, cannons, fetlocks, pasterns feet, set of legs, action					
Hind Legs and Feet: strifes, gaskins, hocks, cannons, fetlocks, pasterns, feet, set of legs, action					
Final Placing Order					

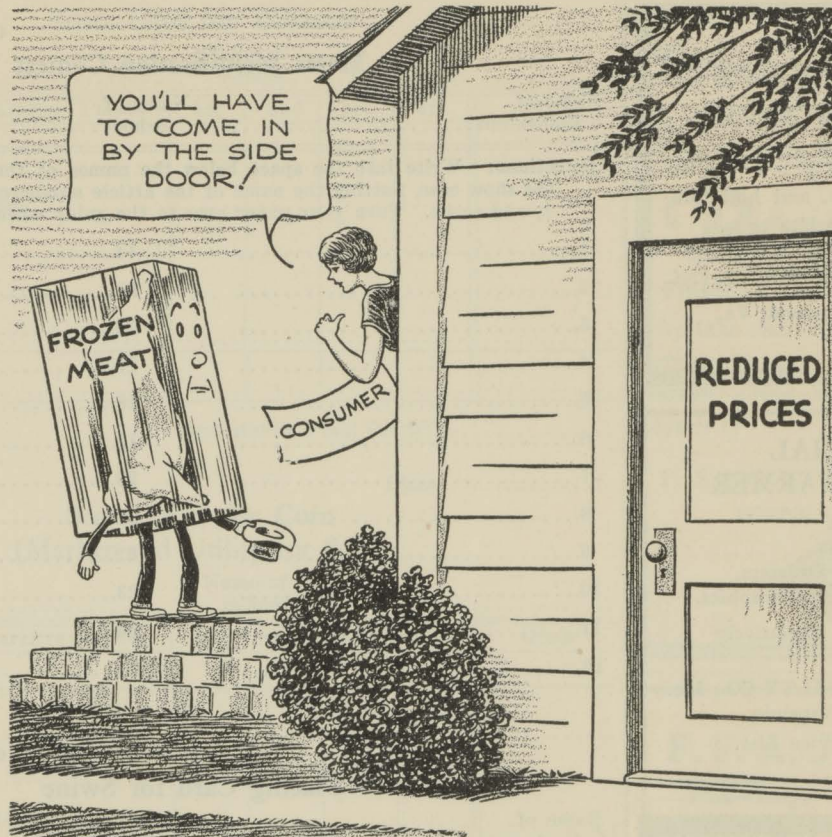
Contestant's Final Grade

Class

Placing Card for Dairy Cattle

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School				
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade
Body Capacity and Size: depth, width, and length of body, full size for breed					
Dairy Temperament: tendency to leanness, angularity, absence of beefiness at neck, withers, brisket, back, and thigh					
Mammary System: size, shape, attachment and soundness of udder, size and placement of teats					
Health and Vigor: absence of indications of frailty, delicacy, weakness of constitution, sickness, and lack of fertility					
Final Placing Order					

Contestant's Final Grade



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Class.....

Placing Card for Swine

Name of Contestant..... Name of School.....

Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade
General Appearance, Quality and Condition: size, form, smoothness, activity, breed, & sex characteristics					
Head, Neck and Shoulders: face, ears, eyes, jowls, and blending of neck and shoulders					
Fore Quarters (excluding shoulders): chest, heart girth, fore legs, fore feet					
Middle: back, loin, top, and underlines, sides					
Hind Quarters: rump, hams, hind legs, hind feet					
Final Placing Order					

Contestant's Final Grade.....

Class.....

Placing Card for Beef Cattle

Name of Contestant..... Name of School.....

Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade
General Appearance: size, form, symmetry, breed, & sex characteristics					
Forequarters: head, neck, shoulders, chest, crops, ribs, fore legs					
Hindquarters: Loin, rump, round, hind legs					
Quality and Condition: size of bone, pliability of hide, smoothness and thickness of natural flesh					
Final Placing Order					

Contestant's Final Grade.....

Class.....

Score Card for Tobacco

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....					
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade	
Market Condition						
Uniformity of Exhibit						
Size						
Color						
Quality						
Final Placing Order						
Contestant's Final Grade.....						

Class.....

Score Card for Corn
(Market and Utility for Seed)

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....					
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade	
Length						
Color and Luster						
Cob						
Kernal Characteristics						
Market Condition						
Uniformity						
Type						
Vitality and Vigor						
Average of Contestant's Grades.....						
Final Placing Order						
Contestant's Final Grade.....						

Class.....

Score Card for Seed Peanuts

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....					
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade	
Uniformity of Exhibit						
Soundness of Exhibit						
Color						
Size						
Maturity						
Weight						
Average of Contestant's Grades.....						
Final Placing Order						
Contestant's Final Grade.....						

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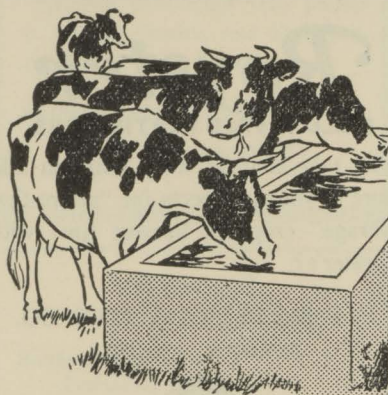


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One set of forms well built at school or farm shops can be used to make a dozen concrete troughs. Write for clear drawings and complete instructions.

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Class.....

Placing Card for Poultry

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....	Class.....				
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade	
Constitutional Vigor and Temperament: alertness, activity, size and prominence of eye, sex characteristics						
Breed and Variety Characteristics: size, trueness to type, color of plumage, symmetry, freedom from serious defects						
Conformation: shape of head and beak, width, length, and shape of back, length and depth of body ..						
Quality and Condition: texture of skin, comb and wattles, pigmentation molt, fleshing						
Final Placing Order						

Contestant's Final Grade.....

Class.....

Score Card for Small Grain and Soy Beans

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....	Class.....				
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade	
Weight						
Soundness						
Texture and Plumpness						
Uniformity in Size						
Uniformity in Color						
Average of Contestant's Grades.....						
Final Placing Order						

Contestant's Final Grade.....

Class.....

Score Card for White Potatoes (Judged as Seed Stock)

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....	Class.....				
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade	
Varietal Purity						
Shape (true to variety)						
Size (true to variety)						
Size (variety)						
Color and Surface						
Quality						
Freedom from Disease						
Average of Contestant's Grades.....						
Final Placing Order						

Contestant's Final Grade.....

Score Card for Market Eggs

Class.....						
Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....					
Placing on Comparative Points	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Grade	
Size of Egg—standard value, 24 ...						
Uniformity in Size (12 eggs)—standard value, 12						
Shape of Egg—standard value, 6 ...						
Uniformity in Shape (12 eggs)—standard value, 12						
Color (12 eggs)—standard value, 12						
Uniformity in Color (12 eggs)—standard value, 12						
Texture of Shell—standard value, 10						
Condition of Shell—standard value, 12						
Total standard value, 100						
Average of Contestant's Grades.....						
Final Placing Order						
Contestant's Final Grade.....						
Class.....						

Score Card for Milk

Name of Contestant.....	Name of School.....				
	Student	Official	Score	Grade	Criticism
Flavor and Odor (25)					
Sediment (10)					
Bottle and Cap					
Total (40)					
Placing					
Flavor and Odor	Bottle and Cap				
bitter	high acid	absorbent cap pro-	lip not protected		
cardboard	metallic	tector	lip partially pro-		
cooked	musty	clipped mouth	tected		
cows	rancid	dirty bottle	loose cap cover		
disinfectant	salty	leaky cap	not full		
feed	sour	Sediment—Score cottons as per photographs, page 17, Circular 384 (revised 1929) United States Department of Agriculture.			
flat	unclean				
garlic	watery				
	weedy				
Grade on Criticism					
Total Grade					

WARD WINS TITLE.

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29 bbls. of feed corn at 4.00—\$116.00; 50 bu. of certified seed corn at \$2.50—\$125.00; 300 bundles of fodder at \$.04—\$12.00; Cash prizes won—\$47.00. Total—\$300.00.

In addition to his corn project, Mack also carried two other projects his first year consisting of one dairy heifer and five market shotes, on which he made a

good profit. His second year in vocational Agriculture he is carrying out the following projects:

3 acres of Certified Reeds Yellow Dent corn, 2¼ acs. barley, 1 brood sow and feed, one litter of shotes from his sow. Along with his agriculture project work Mack finds time enough to make the Honor Roll on all his high school work and his greatest hobbies are doing things well and swimming.

Score Card for Grading Prospective State Farmers

Note—At the 1936 Rally a special committee recommended changes in the score card for grading candidates for the State Farmer degree and also recommended changes in the application form used in connection with this degree. The recommendations of this committee were acted upon favorably at the 1936 Annual Conference. Inasmuch as there are some points that have not been adequately cleared up, it is thought advisable for the following score card to be used in rating candidates, who are making application for the Third Degree at the 1937 Rally. The application forms, therefore, will for this year remain unchanged.

I. Two (2) years of instruction and completed supervised practice, points allowed, 4. Standard—1 point for each year. (Supervised practice must be completed.)

II. 1. An average of 2 completed enterprises per year, (no score for average of 2 per year), points allowed, 8. Standard—1 point for each additional enterprise above 2 up to 8.

2. At least 200 self hours per year, (average), points allowed, 8. Standard—1 point up to 8 for every 50 hours or major fraction over 200 per year, (no score for first 200 per year.)

3. Increase of 50 hours per year, points allowed, 3. Standard—2nd year, 300—1; 3rd year, 350—1; 4th year, 400—1.

4. Two improved practices per enterprise, (average of 2 each), points allowed, 10. Standard—½ point for each improved practice over 2 up to 20, (no score for average of 2).

5. \$50.00 average net profit per year, points allowed, 15. Standard—1 point for each \$10.00 above \$50.00, (no credit for 1st \$50.00, average net profit).

III. Subject matter test, points allowed, 5. Standard—relative score.

IV. \$200.00 earned and productively invested by applicant, (nothing for 1st \$200.00), points allowed, 17. Standard—1 point for each \$50.00 earned and productively invested.

V. Offices held, points allowed, 10. Standard—5 points for President, 1 point for other offices.

VI. Be able to make a talk before some adult meeting or assembly of students, points allowed, 5. Standard—1 point for each worthwhile demonstration of ability.

VII. Make a team representing the school, points allowed, 5. Standard—team to National contest, 5 points; State teams, 3 points; local teams, 1 point.

VIII. Show marked attainment in scholarship in all subjects, points allowed, 10. Standard—81-85, 5 points; 86-90, 5 points; 91-95, 8 points; 96-100, 10 points.

Total—100 points.

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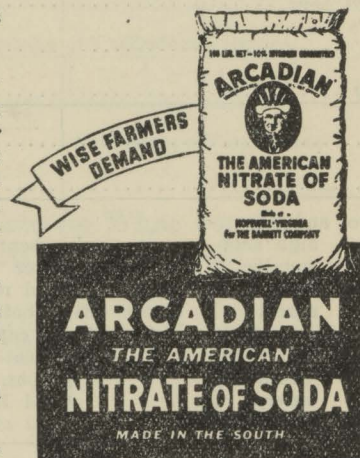
Some years ago, American scientists set about for a way to improve on nature and make a better nitrate of soda. They knew that the reason farmers bought nitrate of soda was for the nitrogen in it, and they figured that if they could make one that would have more nitrogen in it, they would do a service to the farmer.

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